(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government has asked a detailed report from the State Government;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Union Government to check such a rising trend of deaths due to malnutrition in Madhya Pradesh and other parts of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (d) The Government is aware that a large number of children in various parts of Madhya Pradesh have died in the past few months and has asked the State to investigate the matter and submit it's report. As per the report submitted by the Government of Madhya Pradesh deaths of 172 children under the age of 6 years have been reported from 4 districts – Shivpuri, Khandwa, Satna, and Sheopur. The cause of these deaths is under investigation.

(e) The state of Madhya Pradesh is implementing a Bal Sanjivni Campaign at six monthly intervals where malnourished children are identified. To manage severe malnutrition in children under 5 years age Madhya Pradesh Government has established 121 Nutrition Rehabilitation Centers at District Hospital and Block level Community Health Centers (CHCs). From April to August 2008 more than 6,000 severely malnourished children have been treated in Nutritional Rehabilitation Centers. In addition, the village health nutrition days are being organized in all villages on monthly basis where besides immunization, nutritional counseling is also being provided. Auxiliary Nurse Midwife (ANM) and Aanganwadi workers have been trained to identify malnutrition under Integrated Management of Neonatal and Childhood Illness (IMNCI) strategy in identified 15 districts. State is also promoting exclusive breast feeding practices along with initiation of breast feeding within one hour of delivery.

The Union Government, under the Reproductive and Child Health programme, is setting up, in some states like Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh, Nutrition Rehabilitation Centers at health facilities to manage malnourished children. Counseling services for malnourished children are also being provided. The Ministry of Women and Child Development undertakes nutrition awareness campaign, growth monitoring, supplementary nutrition, preschool education including health messages through it's anganwadi workers under the Integrated Development of Child Services scheme.

Strengthening trauma care facilities along the National Highways

77. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a scheme for upgradation and strengthening of emergency facilities by the State Governments along the National Highways is in force in the country;

(b) if so, which are the states covered under the scheme;

(c) the number of hospitals given financial assistance under the scheme, State-wise;

(d) the essential features of the scheme; and

(e) the details as regards the response of the State Governments to the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (e) A revised scheme namely "roject for establishment of trauma care facilities along National Highways"during the "Eleventh Five Year Plan" as been envisaged to develop a network of Trauma centres along the Golden Quadrilateral, North-South and East-West corridors of the National Highways to help the accident victims. The project envisages the availability of the life support ambulances every 50 Km. along with the National Highways. It also provides for three categories of Trauma centres, viz, L-I, L-II and L-III. The trauma care network has been so designed that no trauma victim has to be transferred for more than 50 Km. and a designated trauma centre is available at every 100 Km. The name of States which fall along Golden Quadrilateral, North-South and East-West corridors of the National Highways covered under this scheme are given in the Statement. (*See* below)

The number of hospitals/medical colleges given financial assistance so far under the scheme state-wise is as under:

S.No.	Name of State	Number of hospitals
1.	Andhra Pradesh	7
2.	Gujarat	5
3.	Karnataka	7
4.	Orissa	4
5.	Punjab	1
6.	Maharashtra	3
7.	Tamil Nadu	3

The hospitals/medical colleges in different states are identified, inspected and selected in consultation with concerned State Governments for setting up of trauma centres. The financial assistance is provided after signing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Govt. of India and respective State Government.

Statement

Name of States which fall along Golden Quadrilateral, North-South and East West Corridors of the National Highways covered under this scheme

1. Andhra Pradesh
2. Assam
3. Bihar
4. Delhi

5. Gujarat

6. Haryana

7. Jammu and Kashmir

8. Jharkhand

9. Karnataka

10. Madhya Pradesh

11. Maharashtra

12. Orissa

13. Punjab

14. Rajasthan

15. Tamil Nadu

16. Uttar Pradesh

17. West Bengal

Survey on rural health facilities

78. SHRI AMIR ALAM KHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has carried out a survey on the existing health facilities and availability of hospital infrastructure for the rural people of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the initiative taken by Government to improve the primary health care system and medical facilities in the rural areas of the country; and

(d) the quantum of allocation proposed to be invested during the Eleventh Five Year Plan for improvement of health care system and related infrastructure in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) The Government of India undertakes periodic nationwide surveys for assessing the impact of the health care interventions and programmes. In addition the latest Facility Survey in the country has been conducted by the Government in 2003, which assessed the existing situation of the health care facilities available in the government health care establishments at different levels in India in terms of infrastructure, staff, supply and equipment at district level. The Facility Surveys covered various parameters of the health facilities at the District Hospital, First Referral Units (FRUs), Community Health Centres and Primary Health Centres. The Survey included items like status of the infrastructure, availability of Operation Theatre, Labour Room, basic Laboratory, beds, staff position, in-service training, availability and functioning status of equipments and drugs *etc.* The key results of the Facility Survey are given Statements I to III respectively. (*See* below)